

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: <b>SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE</b>	) <b>Customer No. 35489</b>
<b>POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS</b>	)
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 5, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20060928), please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed within the three-month shortened statutory time period set for the response and requires no extension of time.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **2** of this paper.